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INCREASING ERUCIC ACID AND OTHER VERY LONG-CHAIN  
FATTY ACID PROPORTIONS IN SEED OIL

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In response to the Notification of Defective Response dated April 16, 2007, for which a response is due by **May 16, 2007**, please find attached a newly executed Declaration and Power of Attorney appointing the practitioners at Customer No. 26123 as Applicants' Representatives in the above application.

No fee is believed due for this submission. However, Applicant authorizes the Commissioner to debit any required fee from Deposit Account No. 501593, in the name of Borden Ladner Gervais LLP. The Commissioner is further authorized to debit any additional amount required, and to credit any overpayment to the above-noted deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,  
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